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1. A Communist Party circular dated 13 March 1947 and addressed to the Communist Section Leaders in the Province of Piedmont is reported to have been seen in the office of a Communist Section Leader. Its contents are summarized as follows:

- (a) It requested Section Leaders to report on what reaction could be expected to a Slav occupation of Venezia Giulia and Trieste. Details were requested as to whether such reaction would come only from the Right or also from the Socialists. In case of an expected reaction on the part of the latter, names of Socialist personalities were requested.
- (b) Economic agitation would be increased and under this guise the military apparatus of the Communist Party was to be mobilized. Overtly it would maintain order, but in effect would be ready to suppress all reaction.
- (c) It also stated that the Slav occupation would take place between 20-30 April 1947.

25X1A6a [REDACTED] Comment: It is understood that this date was inserted because it was presumed that by that time Allied troops would have withdrawn from Venezia Giulia. It is not thought that any Slav move will take place before the evacuation of Allied troops.)

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